IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

CHARLES J. BRANDENBURG ET. AL. CASE NO.: CL1435 US NA

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Introductory Comments

Sir:

Before examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application by canceling claims 1 to 19. Examination and allowance of original claims 20-27 are respectfully solicited.